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Subject: Super Salvage EJSCREEN Assessment

Super Salvage 1711 S. 1st St., SW, Washington DC EJ Report.pdf

## **EJSCREEN Results (New for FY13):**

EJSCREEN provides information on twelve different EJ Indexes. Each EJ Index combines one environmental measure with demographic data to characterize potential areas of EJ concern that may warrant further consideration, analysis or outreach.

According to the EJSCREEN Common User Guidelines, a site will be considered a good candidate for additional review when an EJSCREEN analysis for that area (a block group, or a buffer area with a radius of 0.5, 1, or 3 miles) shows one or more of the twelve Primary EJ Indexes is at or above the 80<sup>th</sup> percentile in the nation. For this assessment information was generated on the block group level. An area may also warrant additional review if other readily available information suggests the potential for EJ concerns.

Super Salvage at 1711 S. 1<sup>st</sup> St., SW, Washington DC is located in an area where one or more of the twelve Primary EJ Indexes is at or above the 80<sup>th</sup> percentile in the nation and therefore additional review is required. Region III's protocol when conducting an additional screening review is that if the site is also located in an area where one or more of the twelve Primary EJ Indexes is at or above the 80<sup>th</sup> percentile for the state, that site is considered to be in an area of potential EJ concern according to EJSCREEN. Super Salvage at 1711 S. 1<sup>st</sup> St., SW, Washington DC is also located in an area where one or more of the twelve Primary EJ Indexes is at or above the 80th percentile for the state and therefore is considered to be in an area of potential EJ concern according to Region III's protocol. Super Salvage at 1711 S. 1<sup>st</sup> St., SW, Washington DC is also located in an area that exceeds Washington DC's average for both percent low-income and percent minority. The block group which contains Super Salvage at 1711 S. 1<sup>st</sup> St., SW, Washington DC is 61% low-income (33% average for Washington DC) and 97% minority (67% average for Washington DC).

The EJSCREEN results are attached.

Given the limitations of screening-level outputs, no EJ screening tool can provide an "easy button" to reach a conclusion that environmental justice concerns exist. As with any screening analysis, the output from EJSCREEN is a starting point for additional information collection and data analysis, as appropriate. EJSCREEN can only be used to identify places where EJ concerns are most likely to occur and where additional review may be warranted.

For Inclusion in Case Conc	clusion Data Sh	eets/ICIS:
EJSCREEN Flag National:	<u>X</u> Yes	No

EJSCREEN Flag State: XYesNo		
Enhanced Review for Potential EJ Concerns:		
_X Enhanced Review – Potential EJ Concern Found		
Enhanced Review – Potential EJ Concern Not Found		
No Enhanced Review		
Basis of EJ Determination (Select all that apply):		
Community Self-Identification		
X_ EJSCREEN data		
EPA knowledge of community/location (including inspector observation)		
_X_Other basis (Please Explain)		
Other Federal Government knowledge of community/location		
Public Input		
State/Local/Tribal Government knowledge of community/location		

## Explanation of Basis:

For this assessment information was generated on the block group level. Facility is found to be in an area of potential EJ concern based on the following factors: (1) According to EJSCREEN, one or more of the twelve Primary EJ Indexes is at or above the 80<sup>th</sup> percentile in the nation and state, (2) Area exceeds state average for minority populations, and (3) area exceeds state average for percentage of population living in poverty.

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